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Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer program residing on a computer readable medium having a plurality of instructions, which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform operations comprising:

connecting a portal to one or more user interface (UI) components;

linking one or more interface (UI) components to a repository layer including databases and a connectivity layer through an object access layer, the repository layer including metadata pertaining to roles, work sets and personalization information, the metadata configured to interact with at least one template, the at least one template providing a format of information according to preset conditions, the at least one template configured to interact with Web application server (WAS) processes and core restructuring processes;

linking the repository layer and the connectivity layer to source systems, the databases of the repository layer configured to interact with the source systems through base system connectors, the base system connectors including an encapsulated postscript interface;

- accessing a database that includes data representing multiple enterprise functions, wherein the data representing multiple enterprise functions includes personal tasks and resources for users; and
- using one or more object modeling tools, one or more process modeling tool, and the one or more UI component to build components of cross-functional applications from the data representing multiple enterprise functions, wherein the cross-functional applications include pages that display the personal tasks and resources for users.

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2. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 1 further comprising input/output (I/O) devices linked to the portal.

- 3. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 2 in which the I/O devices are web devices that communicate with the portal using Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) and Wireless Markup Language (WML).
- 4. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 2 in which the I/O devices are Internet browsers that communicate with the portal using Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) and Extended Markup Language (XML).
- 5. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 1 in which the portal is a common interface that receives requests from clients and generates information views (iViews) in response.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 5 in which the iViews are web pages.

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7. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 1 in which the UI components comprise: application navigation components; application integration components; and information views.

- 8. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 5 in which the client requests are coupled to the portal by a proxy server.
- 9. (Currently amended) The computer program of claim 1 in which the repository layer comprises: a data object model; and the databases of the repository layer including metadata and data, the data including templates.
- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 9 in which the metadata interacts with the object access layer, the connectivity layer and the application logic.
- 12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently amended) The computer program of claim 9 in which the databases interact with the source systems through the base system[[s]] connectors using a markup language.

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- 15. (Currently amended) The computer program of claim 9 in which the databases interact with the source systems through the base system[[s]] connectors using web services.
- 16. (Currently amended) The computer program of claim 9 in which the databases interact with the source systems through <u>the</u> base system[[s]] connectors using transmission control protocol/Internet protocol (TCP/IP).
- 17. (Previously Presented) The computer program of claim 1 in which source systems communicate with each other through a firewall.
- 18-27. (Cancelled)
- 28. (New) The computer program of claim 1 wherein the base system connectors further include an enterprise connector interface.